Minutes to be approved on October 3, 2011

Central Beaverton NAC for September 12, 2011

ITEM DISCUSSED: Beaverton Police Department

Discussion points: Officer Mike Smith/activity for the month

Re: Vehicle Compliance Program

It is \$40.00 **per** <u>violation</u>, not \$40.00 per ticket. Court Office Hours for bringing in vehicle for compliance check to be conduct by Police Officer are:

Monday: 7am-5pm

Tuesday: 7am-7pm

Wednesday: 7am-7pm

Thursday: 7am-1pm/2pm-7pm

Friday: 7am – 5pm

Re: New Traffic Team questions: If you are having problems in your neighborhoods with constant speeders going down your residential streets, postcards will go out in neighborhood to inform people that this is occurring. If you have an ODL, please give to police and they will contact speeder directly, but if you do not:

Who do the postcards go to? Established neighborhood in the area where complaint is made.

Do the postcards go to apartments? No (Only established neighborhoods)

Only the busiest streets that are having speeding problems will receive postcards

Member - M. Dowe question: *Does the program work? Any feedback?* (Officer Smith will look into that)

Beaverton Police Department is still looking for a new home.

Member – M.Dowe – What about empty building on Jenkins – old home of Employment Building? The building is empty and why should (we) pay taxes on an empty building? (Officer Smith, as well as other NAC members, do not think the city owns the building), but the info will be relayed in any case.

Member J. Franklin – What about The Round? The Round is a failure and why not use The Round, where it would be less costly to update to accommodate the police department and City Hall.

There is a Beaverton Police Department survey of 20 questions on-line at www.beavertonpolice.org

Please take the time and fill out, so Beaverton Police can better serve you.

Car seat clinic is September 24th - 9-12:30 at City Hall

PLEASE slow down – school is open – No problems yet, but just be aware.

Police will be driving new cars as well as using a new color scheme. They will now be driving Dodge Chargers, and the colors will change from blue to black with white strips. Supervisors will be driving Chevy Tahoes. A couple of these vehicles were displayed in this year's Beaverton Parade.

HOT TOPIC - People using the Beaverton Library Parking lot for Beaverton Farmers Market

Police are thinking of putting up reader boards noting that you may get towed if you use the Library as a parking space to attend the Farmers Market.

THEFT – people are stealing catalytic converters in the area for the scrap metal value; especially on higher-off-the-ground vehicles, (they can slide under, cut out quickly, and run).

One house and one apartment on Hazel Street had a break-in during the day. Police do not know if they are linked and Officer Smith will find out more information.

There was a shooting at the 7-11 on SW Hall Blvd/Allen Street. One adult and one juvenile were involved using a gun and a machete. The juvenile will be tried as an adult. No one was injured.

There were numerous calls regarding shots fired on Hall Blvd., possibly from a dark blue Toyota. Police investigated and found no shell casings, nothing out of the ordinary.

There was an accident on Brockman Street/Murray Blvd; four people were hospitalized, no one hurt badly. Fire Department/Police Department had to cut the tops off of three vehicles to get out the occupants out, using new, state-of-the-art emergency equipment.

ITEM DISCUSSED: Melissa Riley

Discussion points: BCCI Report

Urban Renewal meeting Wednesday September 14th, 2011 6:30 – 8pm, Beaverton Library

ITEM DISCUSSED: Tyler Ryerson, City of Beaverton Community Development Department

Discussion points: Beaverton Creek and First and Lombard Projects

Here is an overview of all the information that was presented:

Beaverton Central City Strategy; to create a vibrant Central City area is one of the 5 major goals outlined in the Beaverton Community Vision. Central City strategy of the Beaverton Civic Plan identifies ways to help make this important goal a reality.

- Stimulate the Central City economy to attract new business, investment and redevelopment
- Improve the street environment to make walking and biking easy, safe and pleasurable
- Make Beaverton's creeks unique places for people to enjoy
- Encourage the development of lively streets full of businesses that attract urban dwellers and visitors
- Support a variety of housing options that attract newcomers and residents from other neighborhoods

Why change it at all?

Beaverton residents and stakeholders are passionate and their ideas for how to reshape and revitalize the Central City helped shape these strategies. They want to reduce congestion in the Central City. They want to revitalized Broadway and Canyon so that traffic doesn't get stuck and pedestrians and bicyclists have an attractive and safe place to walk and ride. Instead of inconvenient or far away parking, drivers want centralized, public options. People want to restore access and water quality to the city's creek system and ensure that everyone has access to the potential open space and beauty they to offer.

The Civic Plan strategy process included three open houses, a visual preference survey, a community workshop and a drop-in work session.

Priority Strategies for Improved Transportation

Make Canyon a Great Street for Pedestrians

Beaverton residents want Canyon to become an interesting, urban. Pedestrians-friendly area. Currently, Canyon is a noisy, unshaded and intimidating lace to walk. There are not enough safe routes for pedestrians to reach their destinations, and the few existing pedestrian's crossings are difficult to access.

In the future, Canyon will be reshaped into an effective, accessible boulevard where traffic moves smoothly and efficiently with improvements that include:

- Wider sidewalks with street trees, café seating, and street lighting
- On-street parking (where possible)
- New roads connecting north and south to improve access for walkers, cyclists and local automobile traffic
- Improved pedestrians and bicycle crossings at key intersections

Reduce Congestion – Strategies to improve Central City congestion:

- Develop new roads in Central City to give users a choice of routes which will reduces which will reduce congestion pressure on the major thoroughfares
- Introduce synchronized traffic signals to improve traffic flow

Encourage Biking

- Develop way finding signs for cyclists
- Create bike boulevards on low-traffic streets
- Add east-west bike corridors through the Central City (e.g. Millikan and Broadway) that provide safer alternative to biking on Canyon
- Construct trails that connect cyclists to the extensive regional bike networks

Improve Parking

Beaverton's Central City has plenty of parking. In fact, there is more parking than necessary; the key is to provide better, more accessible parking lots push buildings too far apart for people to park once and walk several destinations.

Strategies to improve parking:

 Allow and encourage different buildings to share parking space requirements for new development in the Central City

Make Broadway an Exciting destination and Festival Street

Broadway has many elements that could create a pleasant pedestrian destination: continuous buildings along the street, historic buildings, interesting storefronts and on-street parking.

Strategies to improve Broadway:

- Spur new development that builds upon Broadway's continuous wall storefronts, provides housing and employment, and supports a civic gathering space.
- Start a program to promote Broadway as "a festival street" for public events

Provide Better Pedestrians Access to Light Rail Stations

World-class transit is at central Beaverton's fingertips, with two light-rail stops at The Round and Beaverton Transit Center. However, to get to and from these transits, pedestrians must walk out of their way or along loud, busy roads

Strategies to improve pedestrians access to MAX and WES stations:

Build new street connections between Broadway and The Round

 Encourage the development of additional housing and employment facilities to support and activate the transit station areas

Make the Central City a great place to live, work and visit.

Today, housing options in the Central City are limited. The city wants to entice development that will encourage people to love and work in the Central City. Equally important, the city must find ways to attract new restaurants, shops and services that people want to visit.

Strategies to remake Central City into a vibrant and desirable place to live and work:

- Work with developers and lenders to determine the types of development that are both desirable and possible and make needed code adjustments so they are easy to permit and build
- Invest in positive elements in the Central City such as pleasant streets, public art, easy connections to other city districts, urban plazas and centralized parking options that people will want to live near and make it a great place to visit.

Public art is a crucial part of lively and vibrant civic realm. The Civic Plan strongly recommends supporting the Beaverton Arts Commission's mission of beautifying the city's civic space

Priority Strategies for Open Space:

Create plazas and open space that benefit natural systems and the community

Beaverton's extensive creek networks are often hidden from residents as many creeks have been altered and in some cases redirected underground. Restoring and enhancing Central City creeks will improve water quality and provide places for residents and visitors to enjoy natural environment

Strategies to improve access to open space:

- Restore native plants along creeks, which provide shade, reduce water temperature and provide animal habitat
- Create an urban creekside district along Beaverton Creek that features creek and a place where residents can enjoy nature in a social space. Build an urban plaza along the creek that includes entertainment, activity and dining
- Work with Clean Water Services and other regional agencies to develop a long-term Master Plan and clear set of standards for how development can and should occur along Beaverton's creeks

For more information about the Civic Plan contact:

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| MOTION: That CBNAC support the grant application for Downtown Creekside District |
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| Passed [X] Failed [] |
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| ITEM DISCUSSED: CBNAC Business |
| <u>Discussion points:</u> Old/new business – approve September minutes |
| Rita McCormick gives treasury report update: |
| As of, 7-31-2011 - \$2202.80 |
| CBNAC t-shirt sales - \$150.00 (8/25) |
| Matching Funds - \$1316.83 (8/25) |
| Recycling Day - \$142.86 (8/25) |
| Summer Theatre Program - \$1316.83 (8/28) |
| Total: \$ 2495.77 |
| Total income generated since July, 2011 balance, as of, 8/31/2011 - \$292.97 |
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| MOTION: Donate \$100.00 to painter Angelina Murino for the 1 st Street/Angel Street Mural |
| Passed [X Failed [] |
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| MOTION: Approve September 12, 2011 Minutes |
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Vice-Chair Charles Wilson – Any other business? No

We will adjourn this meeting, secretary will record that we've adjourned this meeting at 8:55 on September 12, 2011.